Hallo dear MMMonVHF friends,

please find below our latest NEWSLETTER of the VHF-DX-Portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" (www.MMMonVHF.de) dated 2009-02-13
We attempt to distribute our Newletter one or two times per week.
For further detail please be so kind and refer at our "News"-page:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php - welcome and enjoy...

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Latest NEWS/INFO for the NEWSLETTER
MMMonVHF The VHF-DX-Portal
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Hello to all VHF friends, many of you will remember TV-tower station LY2WR from 1980-90's. I am glad to confirm, that we now are QRV again and like before, can't live without clear horizon :) New QTH in KO24FO is very remote place, so remote that it is often impossible to reach during winter months, only if in good landrover or tank. Good thing is that there is no industry around, therefore very low levels of QRM. Not so good that it is 50km from Vilnius and obviously we will be active mostly during contests and extreme DX openings. As for contests, be sure to arrange sked with LY2WR, we are now capable of 800-900km without tropo. A few words about last BCC MS contest. It was our target during second part of 2008, during which time we built the new LY2WR station. The contest itself was great fun as always, many old friends called, as well as many new stations, which is nice. Not so nice was total lack of supervision from BCC organizers - sked- and half-sked QSOs were happening all the time, not because people want to cheat, but because of lack of information from Contest Committee on what exactly is a sked, what you can do and what you can not, on ON4KST chat and DX-Cluster. For example "I now CQ dir West" - is 20% of sked info to my understanding, no? About LY2WR QSL cards. During this QRT time, we may have lost some unanswered QSLs, if you need LY2WR QSL please email ly4u@lyradio.org with QSO data. You can see our new QTH and BCC MS Contest photos here:
http://www.printqsl.com/lyac/262/ly2wr-2008/ 73 and cu on bands
Rytis LY4U and Arvydas LY3BF - SOURCE: tnx Rytis direct to MMMonVHF

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Justin G0KSC sent following message from the MMM Webside:
Hi, I just wanted to let you know of my website which includes many OWA Yagi designs by myself. My target is to acheive low SWR wide band Yagis with a clean pattern and hopefully, as short as possible. There is quite a collection now ofr 6,4 and 2 metre bands so hope fully, some MMM users will find some use for these. USE the Free Yagi Antenna Designs for Ham Radio at http://www.g0ksc.co.uk/
SOURCE: Justin, G0KSC direct to MMMonVHF

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On Wednesday February 12, 2009 yet another solar cycle 23 sunspot group formed, this time at approximately S06E52. It is numbered #11012 by NOAA/SWPC. Solar cycle 23 is now 12 years and 11 months long from first spot to present one, a further extension of the already record long solar cycle!!! SOURCE: NZ4O Propagation-List

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It is with deep sadness that I inform you that Jim (VK9NS) passed

peacefully away on Norfolk Island at 15:40 local time on 10 February 2009 after a short illness. Jim is survived by his wife Kirsti (VK9NL) and his four children Bruce (G3HSR), Stuart, Sheena and Fraser (all living in the UK). Jim's contribution to Amateur Radio, DX-ing and IOTA is inestimable. He will be sadly missed. Bruce G3HSR
The Team of MMMonVHF will pass our deep sympathy and condolences to his family. Rest in peace, Jim!

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Latest DXPEDITION and EVENT NEWS - Please do use:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php
and use the FILTER for your personal wishes!
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144 MHz Activity from the VK4-area in february 2009 by Hermann, DL2NUD and Stefan, DL9GRE - The EME-Call will be VK/DL2NUD - qrv in JT65B , tx 1st periode on 144,144 MHz and 144,088 MHz (for JA-Window). Activated SQUARES until now: QG53, QG64, QG65 and now LATEST NEWS from Hermann, DL2NUD, at N0UK dated 2009-02-11: I am QRV from QG55WU from 1800utc > Hermann made several nice QSOs that evening but until now no further News about activities did arrive!
SOURCE: Hermann, DL2NUD in N0UK-Logger and direct to MMMonVHF

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Dirk, ON5GS, winner of the MMMonVHF TROPHY 2008 is planing a new Trip in April to GM... Dirk, ON5GS, announced that he will be QRV between April 28th and May 4th from the Isle of Lewis at locator IO68 and IO67 with a belgium Team of amateurs...
More infos will follow soon here on MMMonVHF - subcribe it:
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=2274
SOURCE: Dirk, ON5GS, direct to MMMonVHF

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This year Frank DH7FB and Bernd DF2ZC will activate IS0 (JM49PE) on 144 MHz. They will be mainly qrv JT65 EME. Equipment: TS2000, 3CX800A7, MGF1302 preamp, 2 x 9 ele M2 - More infos will spread later at: http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=2285
SOURCE: tnx to Bernd, DF2ZC direct to MMMonVHF

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Special Event Call DR09ANT for the International Polar Year 2009 qrv on EME. This special call is on the air from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, activated by radio amateurs in the district Upper Bavaria (Southern Germany) from different locations. Every operator will send our QSL card confirming the contact. We don't need your card, but if we get one, it will be answered by the QSL manager. I hope we will be on air every day in 2009 (depends on our sun!). LATEST NEWS dated 2009-02-08: DR09ANT was qrv past weekend on 144 MHz EME via WSJT
SOURCE: Guy, DL8EBW for the Team of MMMonVHF

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DX Expedition on MOGADOR Island (Marocco) IOTA AF-065 WW-Loc IM51CM ITU 37 CQ 33. I inform all that I am preparing a great dx expedition (9 operators) in Marocco (april 2009) to activate Mogador island iota AF-065 on all HF, WHF, VHF, all modes (SSB, CW, M.S., RTTY, PSK31). The last activity was during the year 2002... QSL > see the letter of the suffix More in details and News later on see:

http://www.mmmonvhf.de/latest.php?id=2282
SOURCE: Fread, IK7JWX direct to MMMonVHF

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Belgian operators Patrick/ON4HIL and Guido/ON4BAG will be active as 6V7P and 6V7O, respectively, between February 22-28th. Their QTH will be Le Calao about 70 km from Dakar. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using SSB and digital modes (RTTY, PSK31). Suggested frequencies are: SSB - 1844, 7090, 14245, 18160, 21295, 24985, 28475 and 50150 kHz RTTY - 7040, 14085, 21085 and 28085 kHz QSL via their home callsigns, by the bureau or direct (QRZ.com). They have a blog page at: http://www.bloggen.be/6v7o_6v7p
SOURCE: Tnx Tedd, KB8NW via Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #895

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John, K6AM, will be active as ZF2AM between February 18th and March 4th. He will also be active during the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 21-22th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry, and also the CQ 160-Meter SSB Contest (February 27th-March 1st) as a Single-Op/High-Power entry. John informs OPDX that he will be doing mostly antenna work outside of the contests, but may get on the WARC bands or even 6 meters a bit as time permits. QSL via K6AM, direct or by the Bureau or LoTW.
SOURCE: Tnx Tedd, KB8NW via Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #895

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George, KF4VTT, will be active HF-50MHz as VP9/KF4VTT (NA-005)
QRV: 160-6M, SSB, CW, RTTY, PSK, QSL via LOTW, BURO and direct
BERMUDA TRIP: Begin date: 20090611 - End date: 20090617
SOURCE: Tnx Bill, NG3K, via his DX-NEWS

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LATEST NEWS-Update of the K5D DXpedition, dated 2009-02-12:
Per Glenn W0GJ and Bob K4UEE @ 23:45Z: "Heavy winds during the day delayed several helicopter flights so we're running quite a bit behind schedule. For example, we had to wait until the last helicopter trip to begin erecting shelters. We're all exhausted and have quite a bit of infrastructure work yet to do (in the dark). Regrettably, this will delay our planned QRV until (hopefuly) near 1600Z tomorrow (Friday). We're sorry to disappoint those expecting us on the air tonight.
SOURCE: Tnx Tedd, KB8NW via Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin

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SOTA-News - Upcoming Activations updated at our MMMonVHF page as long these including VHF or U/SHF-Activity. A complete over-view about all SOTA-Activities are on: www.sotawatch.org/alerts.php
SOURCE: tnx Summits On The Air (via SOTAwatch2 (beta) Page)

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The VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF - Newsletter Credits & Info
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Our Newsletter is compiled from the input of the USER of the VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF as well by a lot of free usable HF-V-U-SHF-Info-Sources and chats like ON4KST-, N0UK-, RU-VHF-DX-Net, EA-V-U-SHF-Chat and others...

*** Many thanks to all USER who send us info and news ***

Wherever we found the info we always indicate the source of the info.
If you get knowledge of an expedition, which is NOT listed at our
VHF-DX-Portal MMMonVHF or if you have additional info for an expedition,
PLEASE be so kind and send us this info at
http://www.mmmonvhf.de/newsuser.php or http://www.mmmonvhf.de/kontact.php

The MMMonVHF-Team is always trying to spread any expedition info as much
up-to-date and reliable as possible and as long as the info does not
violate with our MMMonVHF-Policy.

Have a lot of fun and enjoy MMMonVHF!

73 de Guido "Guy" DL8EBW
on behalf of the MMMonVHF-Team
(DG2KBC DK3XT DK5EW DK5YA HA5CRX IV3NDC OZ1LPR PA2DW PA3BIY & PA4EME)

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